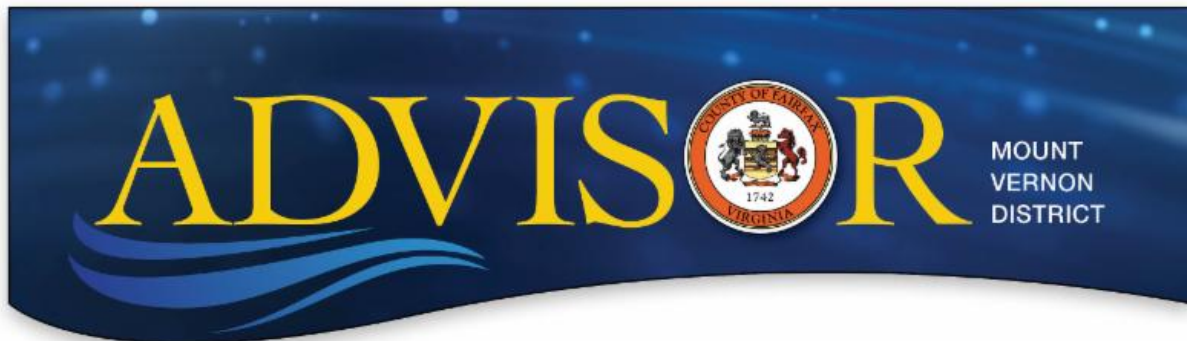


May 2021



Neighbors,

May is a time to reflect on **moms and nature!** We are surrounded by spring flowers, plants, birds and **all kinds of other wildlife!** It is also typical to give moms flowers or plants in **celebration of Mother's Day.** However you celebrate, be sure to take time out and **let your mom know how special she is** in your life. This will be my first Mother's Day without my mom, **Kathy, or MeMaw,** as she was affectionately known. While I miss her greatly, **I see her every day** in the nature that surrounds us all. She nurtured my **love of people, all things natural and Mother Earth,** and for that, I will always be eternally grateful to her!

Speaking of wildlife, this is the time of year that **small (and large) animals go a little crazy** with spring behaviors and leaving winter behind. **On May 19 at 7 p.m.,** I will host a meeting with [County Animal Protection Police](#) and our [Wildlife Management](#) staff to discuss **what to do when you see an animal that concerns you,** typical animal behaviors and address the concerns I am hearing from some residents. **I hope you will join me** for this [virtual meeting](#).

Much is happening this spring in our District and throughout the County.

- We hired a **new police Chief Kevin Davis,** former Police Commissioner of the Baltimore Police Department. **Many qualified candidates were interviewed** and Chief Davis had the **broad regional and reform experience** we sought.
- We held the **first community-wide meetings** for the **Penn Daw Fire Station and Emergency, Supportive and/or Affordable Housing project.**
- We are hosting the **South County Police Station and Animal Shelter Groundbreaking** on **May 22 at 10 a.m.**

Read about these topics and more below.

Also, happening this month, Governor Northam has **updated the state's COVID-19 restrictions.** Starting **May 15,** [limits on social gatherings](#) are raised from 50 to **100 indoors** and from 100 to **250 outdoors,** lifted [other gathering restrictions,](#) and [updated mask guidance.](#) He also announced this week that if numbers of infections continue to fall and vaccinations continue to rise, he will **lift all capacity restrictions on June 15. Keep it up Fairfax! Stay safe, follow recommendations and get vaccinated!** There are [many locations to choose from](#) and several are **accepting walk-ins.**

I must end my May message to you on a note that would break any mother's (and entire communities') hearts. Sadly, we had a **senseless killing of two South County students** in our community last week. This tragedy, apparently over a **social media dispute,** will haunt the lives of many families forever. While many factors led to this tragic loss of life –

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age, immaturity, social media, COVID-19, young people with too much time on their hands – it was the handgun that made it deadly. In response to this incident, I held a **community meeting** in the immediate neighborhoods with Mount Vernon District School Board Member **Karen Corbett Sanders**, other school and police representatives, and others to **provide facts, address concerns, promote healing** and togetherness, and to provide additional resources and better options for our youth.

Respectfully yours in public service,



Dan Storck
Supervisor, Mount Vernon District
Fairfax County Board of Supervisors



*A huge thank you to **Cathy and George Ledec** for making our Earth Day planting possible and continuing to beautify the Mount Vernon Governmental Center!!*

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New Police Chief



Chief Kevin Davis

After an **extensive interview and outreach process**, including over 275 community meetings and calls, over 450 emails to stakeholders, and an extensively shared survey with **more than 3,000 responses**, the **Board hired Kevin Davis** to lead our department and further the **ongoing Board of Supervisors' directed policing reforms**. Chief Davis has demonstrated a **comprehensive understanding** of and commitment to his own past shortcomings, as well as **improving policing, promoting transparency and building relationships** in the community. Chief Davis acknowledged the systemic problems in policing, and, through his experiences and leadership, **understands how to address those challenges** and implement critical reforms, as he has done throughout his career, from **implementing crisis intervention teams** to body-worn cameras.

Following **conversations with community and law enforcement leaders** across the region and people who have worked directly with Chief Davis, it is clear that **there is tremendous confidence in his abilities**. Chief Davis looks forward to **ongoing dialog with the community** as he transitions into his new role. Throughout our process, he emphasized the **importance of community involvement** in public safety activities,

policies and procedures. These are matters that I care deeply about and where **greater engagement and innovation** are needed. District meetings to meet Chief Davis will be announced soon! [Learn more...](#)

Penn Daw Fire Station, Emergency, Supportive & Affordable Housing

Thank you to the hundreds of residents who attended our **first two virtual community meetings** about the proposed new **Penn Daw Fire Station, Emergency, Supportive and Affordable Housing project** at Beacon Hill Road and Richmond Highway.

It was wonderful to **see so many people** (even if not in person yet) come together this early in the process to **support, question and express concerns** about this project. Between the two meetings, County staff and I **answered hundreds of your questions** for over three hours and read well over 1,000 questions and comments in the Zoom chat.

For those of you who attended the meetings, I hope you came away with **abetter understanding** of the proposed project, that your voice was heard and learned some **key facts**.

- The **Penn Daw Fire Station** is 53 years old and must be replaced.
- The **Eleanor Kennedy building** is 100 years old and must be replaced. The County leases this refurbished and antiquated pump house from Fort Belvoir and **renovating it is not an option**.
- Staff has spent **over five years looking for new locations** and this is the best location that has been identified thus far.
- County priorities include **preventing and ending homelessness** through support and assistance, as well as **collocating facilities** for functionality and cost savings.
- I will **continue to listen** to the community – including those who support, those who are uncertain and those who are concerned and upset – about this proposed project, as well as to **ensure County staff considers other sites that are identified** for emergency and supportive housing. If you have a **location that you believe should be considered**, let us know now at mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov.
- The facilities proposed will be **state-of-the-art, modern buildings** with enhanced amenities and programming.

[Read more and learn about next steps...](#)

Newington Forest Community Meeting



Thank you to everyone who came out in-person and watched on Facebook Live for our "**A Community Update after Tragedy**." We were able to bring **over 100 residents** together to discuss the **recent tragedy** in Newington Forest. I was joined by **Mount Vernon District School Board Member Karen Corbett Sanders**, West Springfield **Police Captain Gregory Malarkey**, Major Crimes Bureau Captain Wall, as well as leaders from Fairfax County Public Schools, the police department and **Neighborhood and Community Services**. The meeting provided an opportunity to **share information** about the recent shootings, for residents to **ask questions** and for our community providers to present support options and a **resource information packet** for our families.



Supervisor Dan Storck and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors cordially invite you to the

Groundbreaking for the South County Police Station and Animal Shelter



Saturday, May 22 at 10 a.m.

Lorton Road (between Workhouse and Hooes Roads)
Lorton, Va.

Leashed pets are welcome to attend!



Please RSVP on Eventbrite by May 19 at SouthCountyPDAnimal.eventbrite.com

Unable to attend in person? Watch the event online!

Watch live on Supervisor Storck's Facebook page at facebook.com/SupervisorDanStorck or on Channel 16 at fairfaxcounty.gov/cableconsumer/channel-16/live-video-stream.

Or watch whenever you like on demand at fairfaxcounty.gov/cableconsumer/channel-16/video-on-demand.

This event will be held observing appropriate social distancing. Attendees are asked to please wear a mask or face covering. Fairfax County is committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in all county programs, services and activities. To request reasonable ADA accommodations, call 703-324-3198 (TTY 711).

Pet Adoption Corner

First, **Melly the dog** (featured last month) is still looking for her forever home!



Meet Oddie (and Greya - right)! **Oddie and Greya are best buddies** and must be adopted together. They were surrendered when their loving owner could **no longer care for them**. They're both **pretty chill cats**, and both are talkers! Oddie is **super loving and clingy** and never gets tired of being petted. Greya is more of a loner but **loves to play** and will be your bestie if you give her treats. Read more about [Oddie](#), [Greya](#), [other available pets](#) and [steps to adoption](#).



Upcoming In-Person & Virtual Events

- [Farmers Markets](#)
- [Quantico Noise Advisories](#)
- May 8: Supervisor Storck 2nd Saturday Community Office Hours - 9 a.m.
- May 8: [Save the Trees/Friends of Dyke Marsh](#) - 10 a.m.
- May 8: [Mason Neck State Park Virtual Eagle Festival](#) - 2 p.m.
- May 10: [Cinder Bed Road Bikeway Virtual Meeting](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 10: [GW Parkway Safety Study Neighborhood Educational Event](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 10: [SSPA Task Force Meeting](#) - Popkins Lane Decision Only - 7:30 p.m.
- May 11: [FCPD Mount Vernon CAC Active Violence Presentation](#) - 7 p.m.

- May 11: [South County Federation Meeting](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 13: [Mount Vernon Athletic Club Community Meeting](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 18: [CECAP Community Meetings](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 19: [Virtual Community Meeting about Animals in Your Neighborhood](#)- 7 p.m.
- May 20: [Mount Vernon Athletic Club Community Meeting](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 20: [CECAP Community Meetings](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 22: [Save the Trees/Friends of Dyke Marsh](#) - 10 a.m.
- May 22: [South County Police Station & Animal Shelter Groundbreaking](#) - 10 a.m.
- May 25: Wellington at River Farm HOD Community Meeting
- May 26: [The Potomac River, Its Health and Future](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 26: [Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations Meeting](#) - 7 p.m.
- May 27: [Mount Vernon at Home Annual Gala "Celebrate! There's No Place Like Home!"](#) - 6 p.m.
- May 27: [Mount Vernon Athletic Club Community Meeting](#) - 7 p.m.

Land Use



Wellington at River Farm HOD Community Engagement

The **public hearings will be announced** through our listserv, and the legal notices that will be **published prior to each meeting**. Additionally, our "[Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment](#)" website will be updated with the public hearing dates shortly.

The Department of Planning and Development will be **hosting a Community Meeting on May 25**, regarding a **Zoning Ordinance Amendment** proposal related to state code revisions included in [Senate Bill SB1457](#), which was adopted by the General Assembly on April 7, 2021. Staff will present a **brief overview of the topic**, the proposed amendment text, and then open the floor for **comments/questions about the topic**. Further opportunities for public input will also include **testimony before the Planning Commission** on June 9, 2021 and the **Board of Supervisors** on June 22, 2021.

Planning Home Improvements? Land Development Services is your Source for Building Permits

Did you know **permits are required** for new and replacement **gas appliances and HVAC equipment**? Fairfax County building inspectors help ensure these appliances and equipment have been **properly installed in your home**.



Applying for building permits and HVAC equipment permits **is easy!** Start your permit application from the Plan2Build web page and select the "**Apply for a Permit**" icon. From the drop-down menu, select "**household appliance.**" You will need to create an account to apply for a permit. Follow the instructions provided. [Learn more...](#)

Transportation



George Washington (GW) Parkway Safety Study Virtual Neighborhood Educational Event

The GW Parkway study makes recommendations for the parkway based on the 3E's (**Enforcement, Education and Engineering**) model for improved traffic safety. One of the recommendations is that the National Park Service (NPS) host a **Community Educational Event**. The meeting will be hosted virtually on **Monday, May 10, from 7 to 8:30**

p.m. It will be recorded and closed caption will be available.

During the event, the NPS will;

- **Educate the public** on the recently completed safety study,
- **Answer questions** about the study from event participants, and;
- Transition from **study findings to implementation** by sharing short-term, intermediate, and long-term actions.

The event will conclude with a **question and answer session**. [More information...](#)

Health, Housing & Human Services

Fairfax County Seeks Public Input Regarding New Community Center in Lee District

Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS) is hosting a series of **Community Engagement Forums** regarding the **former Mount Vernon Athletic Club**. Fairfax County [purchased the facility in May 2020](#) with plans to establish a **multi-service center to meet the immediate needs of neighborhoods** in the Buckman Road area on the west side of Richmond Highway. [Read more...](#)



Fairfax County



Office for Children

Temporary Expanded Child Care Eligibility is Now Available

The **Child Care Assistance and Referral Program** may be able to help with your child care expenses. Legislative actions from the 2021 General Assembly session establish a **new short-term eligibility category for parents seeing financial assistance** for child care while they are looking for employment and temporarily **expands income eligibility** guidelines for families with young children.

Applications received through July 31, 2021 are eligible for the following expanded eligibility criteria:

- Families with **at least one child under the age of five** (not yet kindergarten eligible age) with an income that is at or below the 85% of the State Median.

Maximum Yearly Income up to:

Family Size	Yearly Income
2	\$60,480
3	\$74,712
4	\$88,944

- Families **currently looking for work** may also qualify during this expanded period.

Families **must live in** Fairfax County, City of Fairfax or City of Falls Church. Additionally, the County **local child care subsidy program** serves families with children birth through age twelve who have an **income up to 350% of the federal poverty level**.

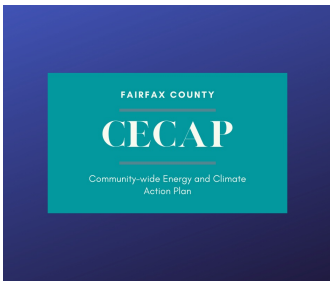
Other eligibility requirements may apply. For more information or to apply, visit the [Child Care Assistance and Referral Webpage](#).

Parks & Environment

Parks Authority Camp Planner Tool Now Available

When a suburban mom started **planning summer camps** for her children, she found **searching through web sites** to find camps for all of her kids at the same location and at the same time **confusing and time-consuming**. Her plea

was heard by Park Authority staff who **developed My Summer Camp Planner**, an easy-to-use spreadsheet that **streamlines family summer camp planning**. The Fairfax County Park Authority offers **more than 1,000 summer day camp options** for children ages 3 to 17 at locations including RECenters, nature centers, historic sites, lakefront parks, golf courses and schools. [Learn more...](#)



CECAP Community Meetings

All County residents and stakeholders are invited to join one of two **virtual climate planning public meetings** taking place **May 18 and May 20, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.** These two meetings, connected to the development of the **Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan**, or CECAP, will offer information on the planning process and the content of the plan, and will include opportunities for attendees to **provide input to County staff and consultants**.

CECAP is the county's first-ever plan to **reduce greenhouse gas emissions** from community sources. More than **95 percent of all emissions** in the County come from sources other than county and school operations. **Energy use in our homes and businesses**, as well as **emissions from cars and trucks** on our roads are two of the greatest sources of carbon emissions requiring our attention. For CECAP to succeed, community members will need to **take action** to cut down their personal greenhouse gas emissions over time. The May public meetings provide an opportunity for discussion of the **goals and strategies** recommended by CECAP before the plan is finalized and presented to the Board of Supervisors this summer.

The meetings on May 18 and 20 will be **identical in content and format**, residents need only attend one of the two. [More information...](#)

Fairfax County Launches Climate Adaptation and Resilience Planning Effort

With **increasing heat and storm events**, the County is embarking on a formal effort to **address climate adaptation and resilience**. The newly launched initiative, known as "**Resilient Fairfax**," will encompass the development of a **comprehensive Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan** for the County and the community as well as the implementation of strategies to **reduce risk to County residents, businesses, and infrastructure**. This effort, which will engage county residents, representatives from County agencies, regional authorities, state agencies, utilities, the development community, and others providing critical services to the county, will aim to **increase the community's overall resilience** to climate impacts. [Learn more...](#)

Public Safety

Mount Vernon Citizen Advisory Council Monthly Meeting - Active Violence Presentation



Please join us for our **monthly CAC zoom meeting** where we will discuss how public safety responds to **active violence situations**:

- What should you as a citizen be thinking about?
- How should you as a citizen respond?
- How is public safety going to respond?

Learn the answers to these questions and many more. **ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.** [Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android...](#)

Password: 301810

Or Telephone:

USA 404 443 6397

USA 8773361831 (US Toll Free)

Conference code: 303572

In the News



Two Teens Killed In Newington Forest Area Shooting, One Charged

Fairfax County Police have charged a teenager in the **fatal shooting of two teens** last Sunday in the Newington Forest area. Police responded to the **8000 block of Winding Way Court** around 3:18 p.m. Sunday. Officers found one juvenile victim in the garage with upper body gunshot wounds. Officers **attempted life-saving measures**, but the victim was pronounced dead by rescue

personnel. A second juvenile victim was found in front of a home with an upper body gunshot wound. The juvenile was **taken to the hospital**, where he later died of his injuries. [Read more on the Patch...](#)

Conversion Work is Kicking Off at the Former Mount Vernon Tennis Club

Over the front door at 7950 Audubon Drive, the letter impressions from the **Mount Vernon Tennis Club** can still be seen as a **sign from an earlier time**, where local tennis enthusiasts were honing their skills. Now workers from Hitt Contracting are on site, **converting the former tennis club to a workforce development and training center** that is needed in this part of southern Fairfax County. The site is surrounded by the **Audubon Trailer Park** and the **Audubon Apartments**. [Learn more in the Mount Vernon Gazette...](#)



Gum Springs Historical Marker Replaced

Gum Springs is the **oldest African American community** in the County, and the **historical information** was posted on two different historical marker signs posted there until cars came flying off Richmond Highway and took out both signs, years apart. On April 21, **local officials and Gum Springs residents unveiled** another historic sign at the intersection of **Fordson Road and Richmond Highway** that once again marks this historical community as a part of Mount Vernon's

history. [Read more in the Mount Vernon Gazette...](#)

Workhouse Arts Center is Opening to Commercial Entities as Attractions

In Lorton, the Workhouse Arts Center is **preparing to expand** in a commercial direction to include a **restaurant, brewery or other small business** that should increase the **foot traffic** to this County entity. Opportunities are available to **lease two vacant buildings** at 9514 and 9517 Workhouse Way, totaling **4,500 square feet of commercial space**. It will be a welcome addition, says **Kristen Morsches**, who has had a studio in the ceramics building over the past four years. "I think it would be awesome, it would **bring a lot of people**," she said. [Read more in the Mount Vernon Gazette...](#)



Community Information

Portion of McCutcheon Park Closing Temporarily for Bamboo Removal

Parts of **McCutcheon Park** will be closed temporarily for safety reasons while a **bamboo removal project** is underway. The **Burtonwood Drive entrance and the playground** will be closed from **7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays** to promote public safety and



to allow unfettered access for the work crew. The work is expected to continue through **at least Thursday, May 6, 2021**. [Learn more...](#)

Urgent Food Pantry Needs

LCAC is **urgently in need of the following items** for families:



- Feminine pads
- Baby wipes
- Size 6 diapers
- Pull-ups sizes 3T-4T and 4T-5T
- Kids packs (5 individually wrapped snacks & 1 juice in a Ziploc bag)
- Canned fruit/fruit cups
- Dry beans

Unless otherwise scheduled, **donation drop-off times** are Mondays (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.), Tuesdays (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.), and Thursdays (12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.) Questions? Contact [Erin Morris](#) or call (703) 339-5161 Ext. 160.



Sip Into Summer

Join LCAC for the **2021 Sip Into Summer wine tasting event** - LCAC and Gunston Hall's second, virtual fundraising event! Pre-bundled wine packages, featuring wines from **Paradise Springs Winery, Potomac Point Vineyard and Winery, Stone Tower Winery, & Siema Wines** along with a virtual tasting video will be available for **pickup at Gunston Hall or delivery** (choose 'delivery' add-on at checkout) on June 5 from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Wine lovers can sip their delicious Virginia wines while

they follow along with the **sommeliers from each winery**- at their own pace and from the **comfort of home!**

The **virtual event at 5:00 p.m. on the same day** will include chats, a special presentation from Gunston Hall's experts, and more! **Raffle winners** will also be announced live during this virtual event. [Purchase tickets...](#)

Questions? Contact [Elizabeth Hankins](#) or call (703) 339-5161 Ext. 150.

Sherwood Regional Library Expands WiFi

Sherwood Library now has **extended wifi in the library parking lot**. This wifi is available **7 days a week, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.**, and requires acknowledging the same Internet Use policy that you acknowledge when you use wifi inside. **No app download or registration is required**. If you need a wifi connection, stop by and check it out!



Mount Vernon Nights

Mount Vernon Nights at the **Gristmill** and the **Workhouse Arts Center** will resume **IN PERSON** this year. Concerts start **after July 1** and performances will be announced soon!

Fairfax Water Can Help

Need help paying your Fairfax Water bill? Eligible residents can apply for assistance through the COVID-19 Municipal Utility Relief Program. Funds are available on a **first-come, first-served basis**, so please apply soon. To qualify, you must meet certain eligibility requirements, attest that you are **experiencing financial hardship** due to the coronavirus

public health emergency and submit an application to Fairfax Water. The form is available in **multiple languages**. [Apply today...](#)



Fairfax County Economic Development Authority Hosts Virtual Internship & Job Fairs

If you are an **early-career professional** or a **recent (or soon-to-be) college graduate** looking to launch your career at a leading company in your field, you've come to the right place. On **May 20 from 1 - 4 p.m.**, **interview with 25 top companies** in Northern Virginia which are looking to **add bright candidates early in their careers** to their teams. [Learn more...](#)

[Internship Opportunities...](#)

COVID-19

[Hey Fairfax County, COVID-19 Vaccine Is Readily Available and Free, Here Is What You Need To Know](#)

[Restaurant Revitalization Fund and Shuttered Venue Operators Grant Now Open and Available to Help Businesses](#)

[Experiencing a Financial Hardship Due to COVID-19? Fairfax Water Can Help You Explore Options for Paying Your Bill](#)

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Grass Height

Do you know about Fairfax County's rules on Grass Height?

- Complaints regarding grass height are accepted from **April 22nd – Mid-October**
- **RESIDENTIAL:** Grass may not be taller than 12 inches in height on any developed residential lots (vacant or occupied) that are one-half acre (21,780 sq. ft.) or less. This also applies to undeveloped residential property, which is less than one-half acre and which is located in a recorded subdivision where 90% of the lots have been developed.
 - Grass height is not regulated for properties that are larger than one-half acre.
- **COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL:** While some exemptions may apply, grass may not be taller than 12 inches in height on any vacant developed commercial/industrial property.
- After sending a Notice of Violation to the owner, Fairfax County may have tall grass cut at the owner's expense if compliance was not met.
- **Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)** is responsible for cutting tall grass along roads or in medians on state maintained roads. To make a complaint call: 1-800-367-7623.



To report a possible violation OR for more information contact:



Fairfax County Department of Code Compliance
12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035
Phone: 703-324-1300, TTY 711
Web: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/code



To request this information in an alternate format, call the Department of Code Compliance.

This Fairfax County, VA Publication (published September 2014) summarizes a few regulations. See relevant codes for specific requirements.

Team MVD



Mount Vernon District Staff (clockwise): Alex Jones, Nick Rinehart, Christine Morin, Volunteer Shirley Short, Camela Speer, Supervisor Dan Storck, Abdul Shaban, Diego Rodriguez Cabrera.

April 2021 Activities:

- Phone calls: 793
- Meetings: 317

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Monday - Wednesday, Friday:
8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Second Saturday Each Month (except August)
MV District Office: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Walk-ins and by appointment

Summer Internship Opportunity

The **Mount Vernon District Office** of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors is accepting applications for **unpaid interns for the summer**. Supervisor Dan Storck is looking for **enthusiastic, hard-working, and reliable college-level** student interns interested in government and politics. Interns will gain **first-hand work experience in local government** in Virginia's largest jurisdiction. They **must also reside in the Mount Vernon magisterial district**.

Interns assist staff aides with **constituent service work** such as drafting letters and articles, answering phone calls, issue research, social media, and other tasks as needs arise. There are **opportunities to network** with other employees at meetings and events, and **learn more about your community**. Full or part-time internships with some scheduling flexibility are available. **Interested candidates should send a resume and cover letter** to mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov by May 17, 2021. For all correspondence related to this internship opportunity, please use the **subject line "Internship Application."**

Boards, Authorities and Commissions

Help **serve your community** by serving on a Fairfax County Board, Authority or Commission (BAC). Please ask your friends, neighbors and community members if they are willing to help serve Fairfax County.

Advisory Social Services Board

To interest itself in all matters pertaining to the social welfare of the people served by the government; to monitor the formulation and implementation of social welfare programs; to meet with the Director of Social Services at least four times a year for the purpose of making recommendations on policy matters; to make an annual report to the governing body concerning the administration of the public welfare program; and to submit to the governing body other reports that the advisory body deems appropriate.

Community Action Advisory Board

Advises the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on the needs, concerns and aspirations of limited-income persons; and recommends policies that promote meaningful change.

Criminal Justice Advisory Board

To receive and coordinate all phases of planning for the Criminal Justice System in the County of Fairfax and to furnish its advice and recommendations to the County Executive and, as appropriate, to the Board of Supervisors. Reestablished to continue in an advisory capacity though no longer required by Federal Law.

Human Services Council

To review human services needs and assess the effectiveness of the human services delivery system; to report annually on the conditions and effectiveness of the human services delivery system; to develop a more effective and efficient human services delivery system; to enhance coordination of services among human services providers, both public and private; to recommend annual service delivery goals, objectives, and priorities for human services organization, with consideration of the requirements of non-county funding sources; to develop and oversee a five-year long range comprehensive human services plan which establishes goals, objectives and priorities; to educate the community, in consultation with the Board of Supervisors, on human services; to review and transmit to the Board of Supervisors a program-oriented budget for human services; and to review the annual Capital Improvement Plan and provide appropriate comments to the Board of Supervisors.

There are **several At-Large positions** available as of April 2021 on County BACs.

- Affordable Dwelling Unit Advisory Board (Lending Institution Rep)
- Alcohol Safety Action Program Local Policy Board (ASAP)
- Board of Building and Fire Prevention Code Appeals (Design Professional)
- Board of Equalization of Real Estate
- Civil Service Commission
- Consumer Protection Commission
- Engineering Standard Review Committee
- History Commission (Historian)
- Police Civilian Review Panel
- Road Viewer Board
- Tenant Landlord Commission (3 openings - Citizen Member, Condo Owner, Landlord Member & Tenant Member)

[Learn more about these BACs...](#)

Volunteering on these committees **increases citizen participation in our District**. If you are interested in serving on a county board, authority, commission, or committee (BAC), please provide a current résumé to Alexandra.Jones@fairfaxcounty.gov. For more information, please download the [brochure](#) for a brief guide to BACs, or learn more on the [County website](#). You can also **check out the County's Volunteer Management System for information** on these and **other volunteer opportunities near you**.



ENVIRONMENT EXPO

Get Outdoors! Learn and Do!

June 26, 2021

8 a.m.—noon

Fort Hunt Park

Family Friendly Event including: Exhibitors, Workshops, Live Music, Live Reptile & Owl Programs, Electric Vehicles, Nature Walks, Junior Ranger Program, Touch-a-Truck Recycling, History Tours, Purple Glass Monster, Food Trucks and more!

(Event will follow COVID-19 protocols and restrictions. Pre-registration required.)



Visit our website

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